

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1304 - HB 1328

February 19, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires utilities to establish policies governing the discontinuation of service for nonpayment and contact registered customers prior to commencing certain actions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-32-102, only utilities operating within Davidson County are required to establish a discontinuation policy for nonpayment.
- The proposed language:
 - Requires any utility which policies electricity, gas, or water; or converts solid waste into heat, fuel, or energy to establish a policy governing the discontinuation of service for nonpayment; and
 - Prohibits utilities from discontinuing service to an address in order to start a new service at the same address prior to contacting the registered customer and receiving confirmation of the new service.
- It is reasonably assumed all utilities have established a service discontinuation policy for nonpayment and currently contact registered customers in such instances.
- Any fiscal impact to local government is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- It is reasonably assumed that all public utilities have established a service discontinuation policy for nonpayment and would contact such registered customers prior to commencing with a new service.
- The proposed language will not result in any significant impact to jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B' and a distinct 'S'.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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